

What is claimed is:

1. A printer consumable for replaceable installation in a printer, the consumable comprising:
a printer interface end;
a grasping end distal from the printer interface end, the grasping end having a reduced cross-sectional area from the printer interface end;
finger stops integral with the grasping end;
and wherein the grasping end is devoid of printer functional interfaces.
2. The printer consumable for replaceable installation in a printer of Claim 1, further comprising a clear visual demarcation between the printer interface end and the grasping end.
3. The printer consumable for replaceable installation in a printer of Claim 2, wherein the clear visual demarcation comprises the printer interface end and grasping end being formed of materials having differing color, texture, or opacity.
4. The printer consumable for replaceable installation in a printer of Claim 2 further comprising a boundary between the printer interface end and the grasping end, and wherein the clear demarcation comprises the boundary lying substantially along a plane.
5. The printer consumable for replaceable installation in a printer of Claim 1, wherein the grasping end is formed of substantially flat segments joined by rounded corners.

6. The printer consumable for replaceable installation in a printer of Claim 1, wherein the printer interface end further comprises a substantially flat face, and wherein at least a fluid port, an electrical interface, and a keying feature are positioned on the substantially flat face.
7. The printer consumable for replaceable installation in a printer of Claim 1, further comprising indicia of consumable contents.
8. The printer consumable for replaceable installation in a printer of Claim 7, wherein the grasping portion further comprises an outer surface; wherein the indicia of consumable contents denote a color of a consumable content; and wherein the indicia comprises at least part of the surface area of the grasping portion of the consumable being substantially the same color as the color consumable content.
9. The replaceable printing consumable of Claim 8, wherein the grasping portion further comprises an upper surface and a rear surface, and wherein the at least part of the surface area of the grasping portion comprise at least the upper surface and the rear surface of the grasping portion.
10. The replaceable printing consumable of Claim 9, wherein at least the upper surface and rear surface of the grasping portion are formed of a colored material.
11. The replaceable printing consumable of Claim 8, wherein the at least part of the surface area of the grasping portion comprises substantially all of the surface area of the grasping portion.
12. The replaceable printing consumable of Claim 11, wherein substantially all of the grasping portion is formed of a colored material.

13. The replaceable printing consumable of Claim 7, wherein the indicia of consumable contents comprises multiple indicia of consumable contents.
14. The replaceable printing consumable of Claim 13, wherein the grasping portion further comprises an outer surface;
wherein the indicia of consumable contents denote a color of a consumable content;
and wherein a first of the multiple indicia comprises at least part of the surface area of the grasping portion of the consumable being substantially the same color as the consumable content, and a second of the multiple indicia comprises a written indication of the color of the consumable content.
15. The replaceable printing consumable of Claim 14, wherein the grasping portion further comprises an upper surface and a rear surface, and
wherein the at least part of the surface area of the grasping portion comprise at least the upper surface and the rear surface of the grasping portion.
16. The replaceable printing consumable of Claim 15, wherein the upper surface and rear surface of the grasping portion are formed of a colored material.
17. The replaceable printing consumable of Claim 15, wherein the at least part of the surface area of the grasping portion comprises substantially all of the surface area of the grasping portion.
18. The replaceable printing consumable of Claim 17, wherein substantially all of the grasping portion is formed of a colored material.

19. The replaceable printing consumable of Claim 13, wherein the grasping portion further comprises an outer surface;
wherein the indicia of consumable contents denote a color of a consumable content;
and wherein a first of the multiple indicia comprises at least part of the surface area of the grasping portion of the consumable being substantially the same color as the consumable content, and a second of the multiple indicia comprises a symbol.
20. The replaceable printing consumable of Claim 19, wherein the grasping portion further comprises an upper surface and a rear surface, and wherein the at least part of the surface area of the grasping portion comprise at least the upper surface and the rear surface of the grasping portion.
21. The replaceable printing consumable of Claim 20, wherein the upper surface and rear surface of the grasping portion are formed of a colored material.
22. The replaceable printing consumable of Claim 20, wherein the at least part of the surface area of the grasping portion comprises substantially all of the surface area of the grasping portion.
23. The replaceable printing consumable of Claim 22, wherein substantially all of the grasping portion is formed of a colored material.

24. A printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer, the consumable comprising:
a printer interface end, the printer interface end comprising at least a fluid interconnect, an electrical interconnect, and a mechanical keying feature;
a user end comprising a finger stop portion and a handle portion, the finger stop portion interposed between the printer interface end and the handle portion;
the handle portion having a substantially smooth outer surface with no printer functional interconnects located thereon.
25. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 24, wherein the printer interface end and the user end are formed of materials having differing color, texture, or opacity.
26. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 24 further comprising a boundary between the printer interface end and the user end, and wherein the boundary lies substantially along a plane.
27. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 24, wherein the handle portion is formed of substantially flat segments joined by rounded corners.
28. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 24, wherein the user end further comprises indicia of consumable contents.

29. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 28, wherein the handle portion further comprises an outer surface; wherein the indicia of consumable contents denote an ink color; and wherein the indicia comprises at least part of the outer surface of the handle portion of the consumable being substantially the same color as the ink color.
30. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 29, wherein the outer surface of the handle portion further comprises an upper surface and a rear surface, and wherein the at least part of the outer surface of the handle portion comprise at least the upper surface and the rear surface of the handle portion.
31. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 30, wherein at least the upper surface and rear surface of the handle portion outer surface are formed of a colored material.
32. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 29, wherein the at least part of the outer surface of the handle portion comprises substantially all of the outer surface of the handle portion.
33. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 32, wherein substantially all of the handle portion is formed of a colored material.
34. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 24, wherein the indicia of consumable contents comprises multiple indicia of consumable contents.

35. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 34, wherein the handle portion further comprises an outer surface; wherein the indicia of consumable contents denote an ink color; and wherein a first of the multiple indicia comprises at least part of the outer surface of the handle portion of the consumable being substantially the same color as the ink color, and a second of the multiple indicia comprises a written indication of the ink color.
36. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 35, wherein the handle portion outer surface further comprises an upper surface and a rear surface, and wherein the at least part of the surface area of the handle portion comprises at least the upper surface and the rear surface of the handle portion.
37. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 36, wherein at least the upper surface and rear surface of the handle portion are formed of a colored material.
38. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 36, wherein the at least part of the surface area of the handle portion comprises substantially all of the outer surface of the handle portion.
39. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 38, wherein substantially all of the handle portion is formed of a colored material.

40. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 34, wherein the grasping portion further comprises an outer surface; wherein the indicia of consumable contents denote an ink color; and wherein a first of the multiple indicia comprises at least part of the surface area of the handle portion of the consumable being substantially the same color as the ink color, and a second of the multiple indicia comprises a symbol.
41. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 40, wherein the grasping portion further comprises an upper surface and a rear surface, and wherein the at least part of the outer surface of the handle portion comprise at least the upper surface and the rear surface of the handle portion.
42. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 41, wherein at least the upper surface and rear surface of the handle portion are formed of a colored material.
43. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 40, wherein the at least part of the outer surface of the handle portion comprises substantially all of the outer surface of the handle portion.
44. The printer consumable for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 43, wherein substantially all of the handle portion is formed of a colored material.

45. A printing consumable for intuitive installation in a printer, comprising:
a printer interface end;
a user end, the user end devoid of printer functional interfaces and having a first portion formed as a graspable handle, a second portion formed as a finger stop, and an outer surface;
means for demarcation between the printer interface end and the user end; and
means for indicating a characteristic of the consumable located on the user end outer surface.
46. A replaceable ink container for intuitive installation in a printer, comprising:
A printer interface end having at least a fluid interconnect, an electrical connection, and a mechanical keying feature;
a user end having a handle portion and a finger stop portion, the handle portion having a substantially smooth outer surface devoid of printer functional interfaces;
at least a portion of the user end formed of a material having a color indicative of a color of ink stored in the container;
at least a portion of the printer interface end formed of a material having a contrasting appearance to the user end.
47. The replaceable ink container for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 46, wherein the printer end and the user end are demarcated by a boundary, the boundary laying substantially along a plane.
48. The replaceable ink container for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 46, wherein the user end further includes a written indicia of ink color.
49. The replaceable ink container for intuitive installation in a printer of Claim 46, wherein the user end further includes a symbolic indicia of ink color.